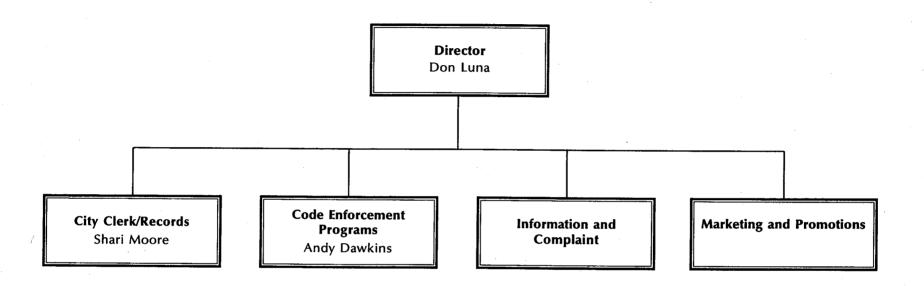
Citizen Service Office

Mission Statement

The Citizen Service Office is made up of four divisions: City Clerk Records; Marketing and Promotions; Information and Complaint; and Neighborhood Housing and Property Improvement. Together, the employees of the Citizen Service Office maintain Saint Paul's official recorded history, promote its vitality and diversity as advocates and liaisons, and preserve the livability of our community through enforcement of property maintenance standards.

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Strategic Plan Accomplishments and 2003 Priorities

Major Accomplishments

The AMANDA computer program was implemented for Information and Complaint and for Code Enforcement as a replacement for the antiquated EXL system. AMANDA is a citywide program and links the Citizen Service Office with other city departments for the collection, handling, and resolution of citizen complaints.

The department has begun to define the management reports needed to communicate data about complaint activities, to identify and produce summary data, of problems, areas or addresses, or individuals.

A new department director was trained.

2003 Priorities

- Reorganization of the Citizen Service Office
- Create a New Citizens Office
- Begin planning and fundraising for 2005 International Institute of Municipal Clerks International Convention that will be held in Saint Paul
- Survey of customers for service satisfaction

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DEPARTMENT/OFFICE DIRECTOR: DON LUNA

	2000 2ND PRIOR	2001 Last year	2002 Adopted	2003 Mayor's	2003 Council	ADOPTED CH	ANGE FROM 2002
	EXP & ENC *			PROPOSED	ADOPTED	PROPOSED	ADOPTED
SPENDING APPROPRIATIONS			•			•	
001 GENERAL FUND 040 PROPERTY CODE ENFORCEMENT	2,996,843 543,689	3,550,365 474,919	3,315,637 770,778	3,974,024 <u>958,572</u>	3,899,024 958,572	75,000- 	583,387 187,794
TOTAL SPENDING BY UNIT	3,540,532	4,025,284	4,086,415	4,932,596	4,857,596	75,000-	771,181
SPENDING BY MAJOR OBJECT							
SALARIES EMPLOYER FRINGE BENEFITS	1,867,490 552,657	2,047,441 568,165	2,146,759 626,915	2,333,251 697,752	2,333,251 697,752		186,492 70,837
SERVICES MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES	1,055,243 63,222	1,338,831 47,075	1,228,007 53,084	1,742,971 129,643	1,667,971 129,643	75,000-	439,964
MISC TRANSFER CONTINGENCY ETC DEBT	1,920	11,578	500	500	500		76,559
STREET SEWER BRIDGE ETC IMPROVEMENT EQUIPMENT LAND AND BUILDINGS		12,194	31,150	5,329 <u>23,150</u>	5,329 <u>23,150</u>		5,329 <u>8,000</u> -
TOTAL SPENDING BY OBJECT	3,540,532	4,025,284	4,086,415	4,932,596	4,857,596	75,000-	771,181
	=======================================	13.7 %	1.5 %	20.7 %	1.5-%	1.5-%	18.9 %
FINANCING BY MAJOR OBJECT GENERAL FUND SPECIAL FUNDS TAXES	2,996,843	3,550,365	3,315,637	3,974,024	3,899,024	75,000-	583,387
LICENSES AND PERMITS INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	2,850	255		4,300	4,300		4,300
FEES, SALES AND SERVICES ENTERPRISE AND UTILITY REVENUE MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	91,930	229,733	230,000	300,300	300,300		70,300
TRANSFERS FUND BALANCES	316,996	293,074	542,102 1,324-	653,972	653,972	·	111,870 1,324
TOTAL FINANCING BY OBJECT	3,408,619	4,073,427	4,086,415	4,932,596	4,857,596	75,000-	771,181
		19.5 %	.3 %	20.7 %	1.5-%	1.5-%	18.9 %

Budget Explanation

Major Changes in Spending and Financing

Creating the 2003 Budget Base

The 2002 adopted budget was adjusted to set the base for the year 2003. The budget was increased for the anticipated growth in 2003 for salaries and fringes related to the bargaining process.

Office Proposals

The target budget reduction was met by reducing several miscellaneous spending line items in the Records division, Information and Compliant division, and Marketing and Promotions. The Neighborhood Housing and Property Improvement division reduced operations by shifting personnel costs to the Code Enforcement special fund.

The Marketing and Promotions division budget also reflects increased spending and revenue due to the transfer of the citywide special events program from the division of Parks and Recreation.

Mayor's Recommendations

In preparing the 2003 proposed budget, the mayor recommended accepting the office proposals contained in the submitted budget, with these exceptions:

- add two positions to provide additional support to the city's code enforcement efforts.
- add additional resources to the Neighborhood Housing and Property Improvement Office for web services, fleet rental, uniform replacement, and purchase of Palm pilots for property inspections.
- add additional support to neighborhood festivals and strengthen the city's leadership in marketing Saint Paul.
- shift budget authority to provide funding for annual maintenance costs and the replacement of the AMANDA server.
- add one position to support services and outreach to new citizens residing in and visiting Saint Paul.

City Council Action

The city council adopted the Citizen Services Office budget and recommendations as proposed by the mayor.

The city council made these further changes:

 move half of the additional support for citywide marketing efforts out of the office budget and place it into specified contingency in the general government accounts.